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THE following Addreſs from the Shire of *Caithneſs*, was preſented to Her Majeſty by the Lord *Glenorchy*.

To the QUEEN's *moſt Excellent Majeſty,*

The humble Addreſs of the Freeholders and Gentlemen of the Shire of *Caithneſs*.

Moſt Gracious Sovereign,

WE Your Majeſty's moſt dutiful and loyal Subjects, do humbly preſume to Approach Your Sacred Majeſty with our moſt dutiful and grateful Acknowledments of the repeated Teſtimonies of Your Majeſty's Princely Care and Concern for the Happineſs of Your Subjects; and particularly for the late Inſtance of Your Majeſty's moſt gracious Condeſcenſion in communicating to Your Parliament the Terms on which a ſafe and honourable Peace may be obtained, though it be Your undoubted Prerogative to make Peace and War.

Nothing but the Bleſſing of God upon Your indefatigable Watchfulneſs, with a Wiſe and Diligent Miniſtry, could have brought us ſuch a near View of a Peace, ſo Honourable and Advantageous to Great Britain, *Juſt to Your Allies, and Beneficial to Trade. And as a ſure Pledge of the ſame, we do with joyful Hearts ſee Your Majeſty poſſeſs'd of that important Fort of* Dunkirk: *And we do already begin to find the happy Effects thereof; and of the Care Your Majeſty has taken of ſecuring our Trade, by the Suſpenſion of Hoſtilities at Sea as well as at Land, till Your Majeſty have time to conclude the Peace.*

May Your Majeſty long live to ſee a grateful People Bleſſing God and Your Majeſty in the quiet Enjoyment of theſe Comforts, which Your Majeſty in Your great Wiſdom has procured for them: We are with great Submiſſion, may it pleaſe Your Majeſty, Your Majeſty's moſt Dutiful, moſt Faithful, moſt Loyal, and moſt Obedient Subjects and Servants.

Which Addreſs Her Majeſty receiv'd very graciouſly.

Coire, January 3. *N. S.* Some Days ago the Three Leagues receiv'd a Letter from the Republick of Venice giving notice, That they were aſſur'd of the Plague's prevailing in the Suburbs of Vienna, and adviſing them for that reaſon to ſhut up all the Paſſages of this Country, in ſo ſtrict a manner as to ſuffer no Perſon whatever to come into it from the Empire, which they ſay is a Caution they have taken themſelves, with regard to the Paſſages on their Side. Whereupon a Congreſs hath been held here to examine into this Matter, but upon conferring with the Emperor's Miniſter, they have hitherto only given Orders to enquire further into the Truth of this Report. Letters from Zurich bring an Account, that the Deputies of that Canton and of Bern, meet with great Diſcouragement and Obſtructions at Ratisbon, from the Miniſters of the Roman Catholick Princes, but thoſe of the Proteſtants eſpouſe their Intereſt with Vigour. The ſame Advices add, That it was prohibited to export Corn and other Commodities from the Empire into the two Cantons, and that a conſiderable Body of Imperial Troops was expected to Winter in their Neighbourhood, which had extremely alarm'd them.

Hanover, January 13. *N. S.* The Miniſters of the Princes in the Circle of Lower Saxony aſſembled at Brunſwick, have ſent an Expreſs to Vienna, to be inform'd of the Emperor's Reſolution upon ſome Propoſals they have made, relating to the War in the North. After which they ſeparated, and are to meet again as ſoon as they have receiv'd an Anſwer from that Court. It is ſaid, they have reſolved to raiſe an Army of Forty thouſand Men, to oppoſe all Parties that diſturb the Quiet of the German Provinces. But it is thought this Project will be attended with too many Difficulties to be put in Execution. The Elector hath ſent Orders for four Battalions and eight Squadrons of his Troops in Flanders, to march towards the Elbe, and they are to be join'd with more Force from hence. Monſieur Nariski, Couſin German, and Chamberlain to the Czar, hath been at this Court to deſire leave for the Muſcovite Army to paſs through the Territories of his Electoral Highneſs into Holſtein, which was granted, and he is gone back to the Czar. The ſame Favour hath been obtained for two Imperial Regiments of Dragoons, which are to go into Winter Quarters in the Dioceſs of Hildeſheim, and Commiſſioners are appointed to take care that they obſerve good Diſcipline on their March, and to regulate the manner of their Subſiſtence.

Paris, Jan. 19. *N. S.* On the 17th, the Duke of Shrewsbury had a private Audience of the King at Marly, to which he was conducted by Monſieur de Torcy, Secretary of State. His Majeſty received him with great Marks of Diſtinction. Letters from Roſes of the 26th paſt, brought an Account, that the Forces commanded by the Duke of Berwick, were all arrived in Rouſillon, and Yeſterday we received an Expreſs with Advice, That the Army had paſs'd the River Ter; and, that upon Notice thereof, General Staremberg had retired, and raiſed the Blockade of Gironne. They write from Rome, that the Pope, who for ſome time hath been very much indiſpos'd, is now paſt hopes of recovery.

Weſtminſter, January 13. This Day the Parliament met, and was further Prorogu'd to Tueſday the 3d of February next.

The Emperor of Morocco having cauſed the Effects of ſeveral of the Queen's Subjects to be ſeized, and their Perſons ſent into Slavery, Her Majeſty hath thought proper to order Don Bentura Zari, Ambaſſador from that Prince, to be taken into Cuſtody, in order to procure Satisfaction for the Violences that have been committed upon Her Subjects.

Whitehall, January 16. $17\frac{11}{12}$.

Whereas the Rt. Hon. the Lords and other Commiſſioners of Her Majeſty's Royal Hoſpital near Chelſea, have reſolv'd to proceed forthwith to examin the Qualifications of the ſeveral Out-Penſioners belonging to the ſaid Hoſpital, and their Pretenſions to the ſame; theſe are therefore to give Notice to the Gen-

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